

Motor Vehicle Permits

There are four annual motor vehicle permits that will allow the occupants to enter into all Michigan State Parks and Recreation Areas during the calendar year.

The **ANNUAL MOTOR VEHICLE PERMITS** are as follows:

- **Resident** (Michigan Registered Vehicle)
- **Nonresident** (Non-Michigan Registered Vehicle)
- **Resident Senior** (Michigan Registered Vehicle and Owner at least 65 years of age)
- **Bridge Card** (Michigan Registered Vehicle and Owner in possession of a Michigan Bridge Card)

There are two daily vehicle permits that will allow the occupants to enter into all Michigan State Parks and Recreation Areas for the day indicated on the permit.

The **DAILY MOTOR VEHICLE PERMITS** are as follows:

- **Resident** (Michigan Registered Vehicle)
- **Nonresident** (Non-Michigan Registered Vehicle)

A **TOWED VEHICLE DUPLICATE PERMIT** is available for the duration of a camping stay for vehicles that are towed into the park by a camping rig.



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The FreedomLinkSM service can be found in:

- Coldwater and New Buffalo welcome centers.
- Clarkston rest area.
- Grand Haven, Holland, Ludington, Mears and Sterling state parks.
- East Tawas and Mackinac Island state harbors.

Once connected, be sure to check out www.michigan.gov for the latest in road conditions, camping and harbors and www.michigan.org for fun things to see and do.

A Guide For Visitors With Pets

The following are guidelines which will make your stay enjoyable and eliminate problems which could be caused by your pet:

1. Never leave your pet unattended.
2. Always keep your pet on a leash which must not exceed six feet in length.
3. Don't take your pet to the beach.
4. Don't leave your pet unattended in your vehicle or camper.
5. Wrap your dogs droppings in a newspaper and discard it in the trash bin.
6. If you walk your dog, do it in an isolated part of the park.
7. Don't allow your pet to run loose at any time.
8. Don't allow your pet to be noisy. Barking dogs are the source of many complaints.
9. For your protection make sure your pet has rabies shots.
10. Don't tie your pet outside unless you are with the pet and can control it.
11. Pets are not allowed inside park buildings such as mini cabins, shower buildings or rustic cabins. (except leader dogs).

Please remember that the park is a strange environment for your pet. It may react much differently here than at home. Children are attracted to pets and we have many injuries involving pets which normally are very gentle.





Discover Our Natural Wonders

Who said learning can't be fun? A wide range of fun, hands-on educational opportunities can be enjoyed at seven state park natural resource visitor centers and at two state fish hatchery visitor centers. Stop by any of these centers this summer and you'll be greeted with an array of interactive displays, dramatic dioramas and spectacular multi-image slide shows. The centers also serve as a hub for park activities, including guided hikes, seasonal nature programs and special events, most of which are coordinated by the park interpreter. Interpretive programs also are available at seven historic sites, as well as at Tahquamenon Falls State Park.

State Park	Carl T. Johnson Hunting and Fishing Center at Mitchell State Park
Visitor Centers:	Gerald E. Eddy Discovery Center at Waterloo Recreation Area
	Gillette Sand Dune Visitor Center at P.J. Hoffmaster State Park
	Great Lakes Visitor Center at Ludington State Park
	Michigan Forest Visitor Center at Hartwick Pines State Park
	Saginaw Bay Visitor Center at Bay City Recreation Area
	Wilderness Visitor Center at Porcupine Mountains Wilderness State Park
Fish Hatchery	Oden Fish Hatchery Visitor Center (on US-31 about one mile west of Oden)
Visitor Centers:	Wolf Lake Fish Hatchery Visitor Center (west of Kalamazoo, at Hatchery Rd. and M-43, six miles west of US-131)
Museums &	CCC Museum at North Higgins Lake State Park
Historic Sites:	Fort Wilkins and Copper Harbor Lighthouse at Fort Wilkins Historic State Park
	Fayette Historic Townsite at Fayette Historic State Park
	Hartwick Pines Logging Museum at Hartwick Pines State Park
	Sanilac Petroglyphs Historic State Park
	Tawas Point Lighthouse at Tawas Point State Park
	Walker Tavern Historic Complex at Cambridge Junction Historic State Park

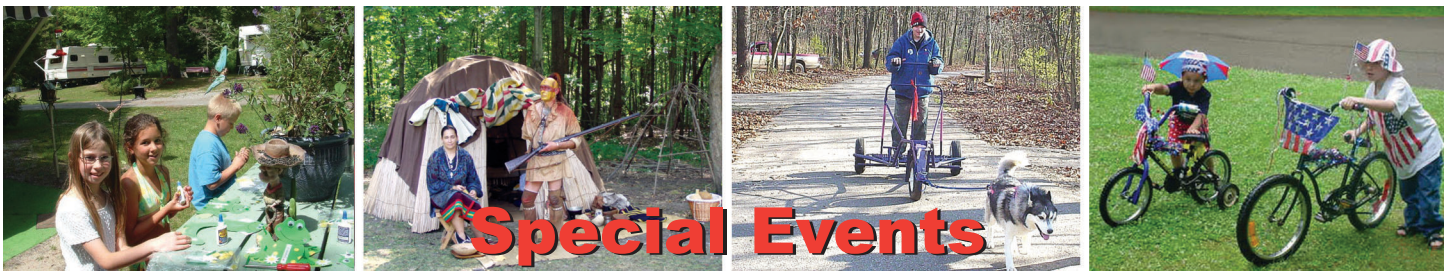


Be a State Park Explorer

State park explorer programs, offered at the parks below, are informal activities and hikes for campers and day visitors that feature each location's natural, cultural and historic resources. Have fun exploring the variety of plants, animals and natural wonders found within each park. Programs may vary throughout the week.

Algonac	Holland	Palms Book	South Higgins
Baraga	Holly	Petoskey	Sterling
Brighton	Indian Lake	Pinckney	Tawas Point
Brimley	Interlochen	Pontiac Lake	Van Buren
Burt Lake	Ionia	Port Crescent	Yankee Springs
Clear Lake	Lakeport	Proud Lake	Warren Dunes
Fort Custer	McClain	Rifle River	Van Riper
Harrisville	Mears	Silver Lake	Wells
Hayes	Metamora-Hadley	Sleeper	Wilderness
Hoeft	Muskegon	Sleepy Hollow	Young

State park explorer programs are scheduled only throughout the summer. To learn more about the activities and programs being offered at each location, contact the individual park listed above or phone 517-373-9900.



Special Events

There's always something happening at a state park. Whether it's a whole weekend festival or a single evening program, there's always something fun to learn and do. Log onto the DNR Website to where and when the next special event will be held. Go to www.michigan.gov/dnr and click of "Inside DNR." The first button will be a "Calendar of Events." The current month's activities will display and a full monthly calendar can be view of upcoming events.

State park events are designed to encourage park visitors to learn more about the natural features and cultural history of the area and of Michigan. Events are designed to appeal to all ages.

They include:

- Harvest Festivals*
- Kite-flying
- Bicycle parades*
- Camper coffees*
- Volleyball tournaments
- Historical re-enactments
- Horseshoe tournaments
- And much, much more
- Endurance races
- Litter clean-ups
- Educational programs

Don't miss out on the fun. Check out the DNR Calendar of Events and find out what's happening in the park.

*Some events are open only to registered campers.



Fishing In The Park

Catch some fishing fun with friends and family each week throughout the summer at one of the 20 Michigan State Parks and Recreation Areas that are hosting a Fishing in the Parks program. Now in its eleventh year, Fishing in the Parks is a family-oriented program that has become part of the DNR's summer state park explorer program.

Our experienced, friendly instructors will introduce you to fishing in a relaxed and fun atmosphere. With step-by-step direction, you'll learn fishing basics like knot-tying, setting up your pole, casting, selecting and using bait, and removing fish from the hook. After the 20- to 30-minute lesson, you'll be ready to hit the water and exercise your new skills.

Guess what else? The instruction and fishing is FREE! Persons under age 17 don't need to have a license. Plus, you're welcome to bring your own equipment, but if you don't have a rod and reel, don't worry. The Fishing in the Parks program supplies everything you need to get started.

So gather your friends and family and come spend an evening with us at a Michigan state park. The program is offered every Tuesday at most parks, from mid-June through mid-August, starting at 6:30 p.m. But you should always call ahead to check the specific days and times for the particular park you are going to visit. Motor vehicle permits are required to enter all Michigan state parks and can be purchased at the park entrance.

Fishing in the Parks is available at the parks listed below:

Bay City Recreation Area
Brighton Recreation Area
Fort Custer Recreation Area
Fort Wilkins Historic State Park
Hayes State Park
Holland State Park
Holly Recreation Area

Ionia Recreation Area
Muskegon State Park
Port Crescent State Park
Rifle River Recreation Area
South Higgins State Park
Tawas Point State Park
Metamora-Hadley Recreation Area

Pontiac Lake Recreation Area
Proud Lake Recreation Area
Sleepy Hollow State Park
Sterling State Park
Yankee Springs Recreation Area
Young State Park

Take a youngster fishing and hunting!

Become a mentor. In passing on an important heritage to new generations of hunters and anglers, you also will be helping them learn valuable lessons about responsibility, outdoor ethics and wildlife conservation.



DON'T MOVE FIREWOOD

Help stop the movement of exotic insects that are a major threat to Michigan's Forests

- Use local sources of firewood
- Do NOT bring firewood from a quarantined area. It is illegal.
- If you already have brought firewood from home, do NOT take it back, do NOT leave it - BURN IT!

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For more information, contact: MICHIGAN EMERALD ASH BORER HOTLINE 866-325-0023